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Dear Mathew,

I am really against this project as it will destroy some beautiful and irreplaceable fens, wetlands, wild land, rock deposits and the general sense of awe in this area.

Also it'll take more water from the western slope to the front range.

Yet to see those cities take a hard view on water conservation [though we need to up here too], instead willing to waste taxpayers money to subsidize their wastefulness. Spend money on dam and charge consumers more for water a double whammy of wasted money- unless you're building more homes and need green lawns to sell them!

We should not be encouraging this.

The Colorado water shed is already over subscribed and this will be another of the thousand cuts that kills it and sadly our free flowing Eagle river.

Always thought the Forest service was supposed to preserve the land for future use - not just short term irreversible resource extraction.

Front range cities should not have the right to buy out the future of the western slope and its recreational business, habitat, wilderness, way of life etc.

If that's the current water law it's not working for anyone's future right now and needs to be challenged for our children's sake.

As the saying goes "we don't inherit the land from our ancestors but borrow it from our children".

I'm having a hard time looking mine in the eye at the moment and I don't want to make it harder.

Best

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